

March/April 2025

Monday 31st	12.30 p.m.	Friendship Club in Annan Old Hall Last meeting until September.
	7.00 p.m.	Singing Group Practice in Annan Old Hall.
Tuesday 1st April	10.00 a.m.	Craft and Chat in Annan Old Hall.
Sunday 6th	10.00 a.m.	Morning Worship in the Baxter Hall, Eastriggs. Service conducted by Andrew Morton No Sunday Gang until 27.4.25
	11.15 a.m.	Morning Worship in Annan Old. Service conducted by Andrew Morton

In Annan Old
On door duty next Sunday 6th April – Campbell Jackson and Heather Paul
Counting & Banking – Esther Bicket and Heather Paul
On teas next week, Sunday 6th April – Fiona Kerr and Janice Harvey

The next Service at Lydiafield, will be on Tuesday 8th April at 2.00 p.m.
Please join us if you can.

ANNAN CHURCHES TOGETHER CEILIDH on Friday 25 April at 7.00 p.m. in
Annan Old Church Hall.
Tickets are now on sale £10. each - see Heather Paul.
Music by Spectrum. Finger Buffet.

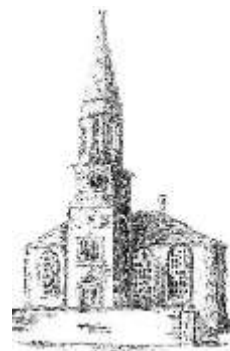
The Flower List for 2025 is in the Session Room. If you would like to donate
flowers on a particular Sunday, please write your name beside your chosen
date.

Please remember to bring to Church, your saved stamps, and give them to
Jennifer to send off for this year's Stamp Appeal (see overleaf). The stamp
appeal is ongoing, so please keep your stamps throughout the year.
2025-2026 Appeal is to support the Al Ahi Arab Hospital in Gaza.

The Food Bank appeal is ongoing

Shared Information – from Lydiafield

On the last Thursday of every month 2:30 p.m. we hold afternoon tea which
visitors are very welcome to join us for. £4 for non residents to go back into
the social fund.



Annan Old and Dornock Parish Church of Scotland

Scottish Charity No. SC010555

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30th March 2025 Fourth Sunday in Lent and Mothering Sunday Service conducted by Sue Jackson

A very warm welcome to everyone Worshipping with us this morning. If you
are a visitor or new to our town, you are especially welcome here.

We hope to be a welcoming, open congregation. Please feel free to be
yourself and join in where you are comfortable. If you would like to know
more about us and our faith, please speak to someone who welcomed you at
the door when you came in.

Welcome and Intimations

Call to Worship

Hymn 124 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation*

Prayers of approach and the Lord's Prayer

Hymn 489 *Come down, O Love Divine*

Readings **2 Corinthians 5: 16-21**
Luke 15: 1-3, 11b-32

Hymn 555 *Amazing grace!*

Sermon : **'Young Goats and Fatted Calves'**

Hymn 522 *The Church is wherever God's people are praising*

Offertory Prayer

Prayers for ourselves and for others

Hymn 182 *Now thank we all our God*

Benediction

Amen, Amen, Alleluia, Amen.

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*Tea and coffee will be served in the Hall,
after the Service. Everyone welcome*

ANNAN OLD – Ongoing Appeals

Used stamps for FIF Project... Please keep the used stamps from your mail and give them to Jennifer to benefit current project.

Stamp Appeal. Project 2025 -2026 Support of the Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza.

The Al Ahli Arab Hospital in Northern Gaza has been in operation since 1882. It is owned and run today by the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, a partner Church of the Church of Scotland. The hospital is the only Christian hospital in the Gaza Strip and Gaza's only cancer hospital. It normally handles around 300 surgeries and 600 radiological and a total of 3,000 outpatient visits per month. It is supported by international charities such as Embrace the Middle East. In times of calm during the occupation of Gaza, Al Ahli Hospital runs as any normal hospital with varying departments and an Accident and Emergency dealing with the usual day to day ailments of a population.

Since the beginning of the conflict in Gaza in October 2023, the Al Ahli Anglican Hospital has conducted emergency operations 24 hours per day, operating on 30-35 people per day.

Despite all, and through all the bombing, the hospital continued to serve the population in whatever way they could with the small resources they had, with staff working hours under difficult conditions. The team at the Al Ahli hospital continue to schedule its staff to ensure that the hospital is accessible 24 hours a day. To enable the Ahli to respond to the increasing need at this time, there continues to be an urgent need of medications and other resources for emergency response.

The hospital has been significantly damaged by the war and will require substantial funding to ensure buildings are once again brought up to standard and there will also be the need for new medical infrastructure which has been damaged.

To read the full report go to Church of Scotland website 'Stamp Appeal'.

If you would you like to provide Flowers for the Sanctuary, please write your name beside your chosen date. After the Service the flowers are distributed to the ill, housebound and bereaved, or alternatively you might like to donate to the Flower Fund – there is a box at each door – to finance Sundays when flowers are not being provided by members. See Alison Jackson for more details.

Help for Ukraine Newstart Recycle (23 Queensberry Street). continue collecting goods for the Ukrainian refugees. The type of goods required are blankets, towels, good clean women and children's clothes, small toys for orphanages, school-wear, medication, dry food, toiletries, tinned food and pet food. Financial help would be welcome too. (Duvets and pillows are not being sent but will be used locally).

PRAYERS

Please pray for our Interim Moderator Rev. Wes Brandon, Minister of the Border Kirk, Carlisle, our Session Clerk Sue Jackson and the Kirk Session as they lead us through this time of change. Pray that during this time we may be guided by the Holy Spirit to strengthen the fellowship within the Church and pray that the Spirit may guide the right person to come to be our Minister.

Pray for Andy Morton as he serves as Moderator of Presbytery, and our Presbytery Elders John Bicket and Eddie Clarke.

Remember those members of our congregation who are sick at this time.

Pray for our friends Petr and Jana Penaz and their Church in the Czech Republic

Pray for peace in the Middle East.

Pray too for a permanent solution to end to the conflict in Ukraine

PLEASE PRAY.....

Jesus said, "Let your light shine" - Read Matthew 5 v 16

This week, please pray for God's Blessing on the people living in the following streets in Annan.

Keswick Place	Kimmeter Place	Kimmeter Square
Kimmeter Wynd	Lady Street	Lady's Well

Pray too for the people living in the following Streets in Eastriggs/Dornock

Adelaide Place	Annan Road	Auckland Walk
Baffin Place	Bellevue Road	Blake Terrace

We may not know any of the people living there, but God knows and loves them all.

From Pray for Scotland

Please Pray for

Adams House, Johnstone

A specialist residential care home for 30 older people with a diagnosis of dementia.

- **For a sense of ongoing comfort and hope for the residents: may they be aware of God's presence and that they are precious and valued.**
- **May the staff be aware of God's strength, patience, wisdom and understanding as they carry out their tasks.**
- **Thanks for God's constant presence in all circumstances, may residents, their families and staff be aware that God's arms are strong and steady**
- **May the team be aware of God working through them as they bring a sense of love and strength to the residents.**
- **Thanks for ongoing joy, humour and happiness: may the residents and staff know much laughter and fun in everyday activities.**
- **May each day be anchored by the peace of God that is beyond human understanding.**

From CrossReach Prayer Diary

***Your Word is a lamp to my feet,
and a light for my path.***

from Psalm 119 verse 105 NIV

Bible Readings for the week to come

Sunday	30th	Psalm 139	
Monday	31st	Psalm 143	
Tuesday	1st	John 8	12-20
Wednesday	2nd	John 8	21-30
Thursday	3rd	John 8	31-47
Friday	4th	John 8	48-59
Saturday	5th	John 11	1-16